

# San José at a Glance

The City of San José has a rich history, one that has been marked over the years by the extent of change that has accentuated its landscapes — both physical and figurative. Once a largely agrarian community, San José was a city of bucolic hillsides and an expansive valley dotted with orchards of apricots, walnuts, cherries and plums. In those days, San José was known as the "Prune Capital of the World." Decades later, the city successfully carved out a niche as the Capital of Silicon Valley, and is known around the globe as a high-tech center.

### **SAN JOSE STATISTIC**

Founded: November 29, 1777

San José was California's first civilian settlement

Incorporated: March 27, 1850

San José was California's first incorporated city

and site of the first state capital.

**Incorporated Area:** 178.2 square miles

County: Santa Clara

**Population:** 1,007,000\*

San José is the third largest city in California, following Los Angeles and San Diego. It is the 10th largest city in the U.S.

\*2009 California Department of Finance

# **Technology Expertise:**

The San José area is home to the largest concentration of technology expertise in the world--more than 5,600 technology companies employing more than 240,000 people.

### **Climate:**

Temperatures vary from an average of 50° in January to an average of 70° in July. San José boasts an average of more than 300 sunny days per year, and has a mean annual rainfall of 14.4 inches.

### **Elevation:**

The highest elevation is 4,372 feet at Copernicus Peak on Mt. Hamilton (near Lick Observatory) in the Diablo Range; the lowest elevation is sea level.

### DISTINCTIONS

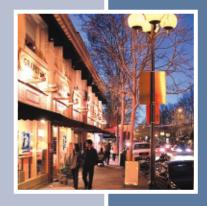
- 10th Largest City in the U.S.
- #1 Recycler among nation's largest cities
- Highest credit rating of any large City in California
- #1 median household income in the United States

### **SAN JOSE BY THE NUMBER**

Cultural Events (Approx.)	450
Arts Groups (Approx.)	125
Regional Parks	9
Neighborhood Parks	203
Parks Acres	2,884
Libraries	18
Community Centers	29
Senior Centers	12
Youth Centers	14
Fire Stations	34
Sworn Fire Personnel	716
Sworn Police Personnel	1,343
Total Employees	6,623
Miles of City Streets	2,300
Miles of Trails	
Airport Area Acres	1,050







# **Well-Connected**

As the hub of Silicon Valley, San José has become a popular destination for tourists and business travelers alike. Events held at the 425,000-square-foot San José McEnery Convention Center draw people from throughout the world. Visitors find many amenities in the City's revitalized downtown area including fine accommodations, world-class restaurants and shops. Acclaimed works of public art are located throughout the city. San José also boasts a wide variety of recreational venues, including the nation's largest skate park, more than 200 playgrounds, and numerous sports fields, tennis courts, swimming pools, volleyball and basketball courts.

### **Arts & Cultural Venues**

- California Theatre
- Children's Discovery Museum
- Chinese Performing Artists of America Art Center
- City Lights Theatre
- San José State University Events Center
- · Historic Hoover Theater
- History San José Park (S.J. Historical Museum)
- MACLA (Contemporary Latino Arts)
- Mexican Heritage Plaza
- Montgomery Theatre
- Northside Theatre / CET
- · Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum
- San José Center for the Performing Arts
- San José Civic Auditorium
- San José Institute of Contemporary Art
- San José Museum of Art
- San José Museum of Quilts & Textiles
- San José Repertory Theatre
- San José Stage Company
- Tech Museum of Innovation
- Theater on San Pedro Square

### **Traditions, Old and New**

- · Amgen Tour of California
- Chinese Summer Festival
- Christmas in the Park
- · Cinco de Mayo Festival
- Filipino Heritage Festival
- · Gay Pride Parade
- Italian Family Festival
- Juneteenth Festival
- Obon Festival
- Portuguese Heritage Fall Festival
- Rock n Roll Half Marathon
- San José America Fest
- San José Children's Faire
- San José Cycling Classic
- San José International Mariachi Festival
- San José Holiday Parade
- San José Jazz Festival
- Tapestry Arts Festival
- · Veteran's Day Parade
- Vietnamese Tet Festival

### **Parks & Recreation**

- Almaden Lake Park
- · Alum Rock Park
- Guadalupe River Park & Gardens
- · Happy Hollow Park & Zoo/Kelley Park
- Japanese Friendship Garden
- Municipal Golf Course
- Los Lagos Golf Course
- · Municipal Rose Garden
- Monopoly in the Park
- · Peralta Adobe Historical Landmark
- Raging Waters Theme Park/Lake Cunningham
- Rancho del Pueblo Golf Course
- Lake Cunningham Skate Park, largest skate park in California
- · Roosevelt Roller Hockey Center
- San José Heritage Rose Garden

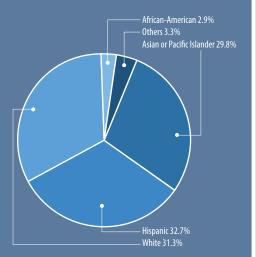
## **Transportation**

- · Norman Y. Mineta San José International Airport
  - Passenger totals exceeded 9.7 million in 2008
  - Average of 256 commercial departures and arrivals daily/141 general aviation departures and arrivals per day in 2008
  - Non-stop service to approximately 28 domestic and international destinations
  - International Customs Port of Entry
- Light Rail System, Caltrain, ACE, and Capitol Corridor
- BART and High Speed Rail are coming to San José

# Diverse

San José is a city proud of the cultural and ethnic diversity of its population and workforce and the rich cultural identity of its many neighborhoods. Our residents speak more than 56 different languages (San José Unified School District 2008).

## **Demographics**



US Census Bureau, American Community Survey; 2007



# Sustainable

At the heart of this dynamic region is a thriving economy sustained in part by many high-tech and manufacturing companies. San José has strong economic ties with countries throughout the world.

### Financial Information

San José has long been recognized as one of the best-managed cities in America. It has the highest credit rating of any large city in California (Standard & Poors AAA, Fitch AA+, and Moody's Aa1). San José is committed to its mission of delivering the highest quality services in the most cost-effective manner.

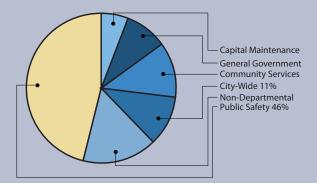
# Doing Business in San José

# San José Businesses by Type\*

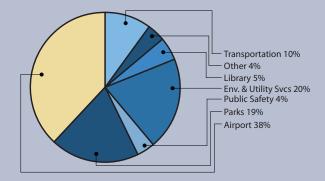
Services	28,
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Branch Locations	10,707
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	9,215
Retail	9,
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Exempt (non-taxable)	7,
390	
Construction	8,
091	
Transportation/Utilities	2,
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Manufacturing	1,973

Largest Private Employers*		
1. Cisco Systems	.11,600	
2. IBM	7,460	
3. eBay	3,000	
4. Hitachi	2,900	
5. Xilinx	2,340	
6. Sanmina-SCI	2,170	
7. Adobe Systems	2,000	
8. KLA-Tencor	1,770	
*Office of Economic Development, City of San Jos	sé (2009)	

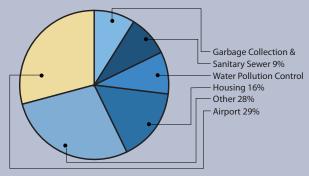
## General Fund • \$983,875,351\*



## **Capital Improvement Program** •



# Special Funds •



\*2009-2010 Adopted Budget figures

# Government

The City of San José operates under a Council-Manager form of government. The City Council consists of 10 council members elected by district and a mayor elected at large. Council meetings begin at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays. In addition, on the first and third Tuesdays, there are evening meetings, which begin at 7 p.m. Council meetings can be seen on **Cable Channel 26**, or viewed via the City's **website: www.sanjoseca.gov**.

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Ma	ayor	Term Expires	
Chu	uck Reed	12/31/10	(408) 535-4800
Dis	strict/Council Members		
	1. Pete Constant	12/31/10	(408) 535-4901
L	2. Ash Kalra	12/31/12	(408) 535-4902
	3. Sam Liccardo	12/31/10	(408) 535-4903
	4. Kansen Chu	12/31/12	(408) 535-4904
	5. Nora Campos	12/31/10	(408) 535-4905
	6. Pierluigi Oliverio	12/31/12	(408) 535-4906
	7. Madison Nguyen	12/31/10	(408) 535-4907
	8. Rose Herrera	12/31/12	(408) 535-4908
	9. Judy Chirco	12/31/10	(408) 535-4909
	10. Nancy Pyle	12/31/12	(408) 535-4910



# **CITY STAFF**

City	Council Appointees
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city Attorney	.mcnara Doyic	(TUU)	ו־כככ	1750
City Auditor	.Sharon Erickson	(408)	535-1	1238
City Clerk	Lee Price	(408)	535-1	1260
City Manager	.Debra Figone	(408)	535-8	3100
Independent Police Auditor	.Vacant	(408)	794-6	5226
Redevelopment Agency Director	.Harry Mavrogenes	(408)	795-1	1888

(408) 535-1950

# **City Departments and Offices**

AirportBill	Sherry, Director(408) 501-7600
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Economic DevelopmentPau	l Krutko, Director(408) 535-8182
Employee Relations Ale	x Gurza, Director(408) 535-8155
Environmental ServicesJoh	n Stufflebean, Director(408) 535-8560
FinanceSco	tt Johnson, Director(408) 535-7000
FireDar	ryl Von Raesfeld, Chief(408) 277-4444
General ServicesPet	er Jensen, Director(408) 975-7200
HousingLes	lye Krutko, Director(408) 535-3860
Human ResourcesMa	rk Danaj, Director(408) 535-1285
Information TechnologySte	phen Ferguson, Director(408) 535-3565
Intergovernmental RelationsBet	sy Shotwell, Director(408) 535-8270
LibraryJan	e Light, Director(408) 808-2000
Parks, Rec. & Neighborhood ServicesAlb	oert Balagso, Director(408) 793-3570
Planning, Building & Code EnforcementJoe	Horwedel, Director(408) 535-7800
PoliceRob	Davis, Chief(408) 277-8900
Public WorksKat	y Allen, Director(408) 535-8300
RetirementRu:	ssell Crosby, Director(408) 794-1000
TransportationVac	cant(408) 535-3830

# Get in touch with your City

### **Customer Service Call Center**

Someone is available 24/7 to answer questions, provide information, and help resolve concerns. **(408) 535-3500** 

## **City Website**

Learn about City services, browse the library cataloge, or do business online. **www.sanjoseca.gov** 

### **CivicCenter Television**

Your source for broadcasts from the San José City Council and San José Redevelopment Agency. **Cable Channel 26** 

### 311

Report situations such as noise disturbances, parking complaints, and crimes NOT in progress.

### 911

Call 9-1-1 in the event of a police, fire, or medical emergency.



# Office of the City Manager

200 East Santa Clara Street, San José, CA 95113

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